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CENTENARY KICKOFF IN SYRACUSE

On the evening of January 2 in the East Room of the Hotel Syracuse in Syracuse, N.Y., the first event in the centenary year of the College took place. The Christmas Alumni meeting of the Central New York Chapter took the form of a dinner attended by 60 former students who honored His Excellency Most Rev. David F. Cunningham, auxiliary Bishop of Syracuse, and commemorated the 100 anniversary of the year of the founding of St. Michael's College.

In his talk to his fellow-alumni Bishop Cunningham pointed out that the founding of the college in Canada began at a time when there was a clear and growing assumption on the part of secular educators that American education must proceed without any relationship with God or the notion of religion. In the work of the Basilian Fathers, as well as in the increasing number of Catholic educational institutions at that same period, His Excellency sees the hand of God providing an answer to the challenge of the secular educators. The Bishop pointed to the chaos of thought that is inevitable when human beings are educated in a framework that has no place for God or the immutable moral law. Bishop Cunningham appealed to the alumni, moreover, to accept the obligation of the lay apostolate which their Catholic education imposed upon them, pointing out that the priest ordinarily has almost no means of contact with the average non-Catholic and therefore depends on the zeal and apostolicity of the laymen to lead people in the direction of the Church.

Father Charles Lavery, O.S.B., Registrar of the college, talked about the centenary, pointing out how fitting it was that the first even of the year should take place in New York State since the first Basilian landed in New York and travelled to Toronto across the State from New York City to the top of Lake Champlain and in his first letter back to France extolled the beauties of the waterways and mountains through which he made his way.

DR. JOHN FLYNN, '39 DIES SUDDENLY

Alumni contemporaries of Dr. John Flynn will be sorry to hear of the sudden death of a popular and capable classmate. John studied medicine at Georgetown after graduating from Toronto in 1939. He then served for five years in the U.S. Navy during which time he married. At the time of his death he was a resident surgeon at Hamot General Hospital in Erie, Pa.

He is survived by his wife, Margarita, and five children. His mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Flynn, are still living in Addison, N.Y., with a sister, Mrs. James Murphy, and a younger son, Tom, who is a Senior at St. Michael's College this year.

THE MIKE expresses to his wife and his family our most sincere sympathy, and assure them that he will not be forgotten in the Masses and prayers of his former teachers and classmates.

Dr. Larry Lynch Addresses Alumni Meeting

At the June meeting of the Central New York chapter of the College Alumni Dr. Larry Lynch, '37, was the principal speaker. The fruit of his twenty or so years around Clover Hill bore fruit in an authoritative and absorbing analysis of what constituted the spirit of St. Michael's. Professor of Philosophy at the College and a member of the faculty of the Institute, Larry enjoys an exceptional degree of respect among his colleagues in the University and the acclaim of his students. For the past three years he has been the director of the International Summer Seminar sponsored by the International Student Service of Canada and his work in the whole field of international university activities has been eminently successful.

The meeting was held at Drumlins Golf and Country Club and was attended by about 50 alumni. Fathers Lavery and Shook represented the College.

Mayor For Three Days



Ed Crawford, '41, was elected Mayor of Oswego by 42 votes in the recent November elections, but a canvass of the voting machines three days later terminated his upset victory over the incumbent Mayor; in the recount Ed lost by a margin of 32 votes. Had he been elected he would have been the youngest Mayor in the history of that city. We congratulate Ed for a notable success even in defeat, and we gladly add his name to the roster of grads who are entering the political scene in their respective communities. We feel that the men of St. Michael's have a contribution to make to the common weal and rejoice when they undertake to project themselves into public service in any capacity.

Etienne Gilson will speak on Trans-Canada Network February 13 at 7:30 p.m. "Democracy and Education."

RECENT BIRTHS

Twins to Len and Mary O'Connor: Tierney, a second son to Charlie and Helen (Culver) Cullen; a boy to Joan (McDonald) Smith.

The Mike Needs News

We are very conscious of the fact that this issue of THE MIKE is months late; it was promised for last September. We are of the impression that about four issues a year would be enough but they should appear regularly and on time. Two factors, so far, impede that desideratum; the staff of this paper has, during the school year, a very full timetable, and to date the traditional modesty of our grads seems to prevent them from giving us an account of themselves. Actually, we can always find the time to put the data together IF WE HAVE IT. But we depend almost exclusively on YOU for information.

If your modesty prevents you from writing about yourself then send us the information about any St. Michael's Grads with whom you are in contact.

Please do that—if you cooperate in sending material to THE MIKE, St. Michael's College, Toronto 5, Ontario, we believe that we can assure you of a paper that will be of interest to all the alumni and that will serve to tie us all together in matters that interest and affect all of us.

There are interesting things going on here that we believe you will appreciate hearing about; and what you are doing, where you are living, what grads have you met recently, all those things are of interest to all of us.

JUST WHISPER IT!

Not only do we need news, we also need financial support—a euphemistic phrase for you know what. We promised that the first two issues would be financed completely from here, and we have kept that promise. Two grads voluntarily sent us generous offerings that we appreciate, and a couple more have indicated their willingness to assist if called on to do so. The response to the first issue (despite an indescribably bad mailing list which we are working hard to correct) indicates that THE MIKE is a good idea, an effective liaison between all of us that the majority would like to see continued. We are very happy to do it, but the editors' teaching salaries have not increased with the cost of living; hence, we cannot afford to put it out alone.

If everyone who reads this would send us a donation we would accomplish several desired ends at once; we would be able to correct our mailing list, incidentally pick up a volume of news, and make the life of THE MIKE secure.

Please take five minutes now and send us Information and Assistance.

THE MIKE

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THE PONTIFICAL INSTITUTE OF MEDIEVAL STUDIES

Many of the alumni have plied us with questions on the state of affairs with the "Institute", and we are happy to declare that both its work and its reputation are flourishing. There are over 60 students taking courses and thirty-three of them are fulltime students working towards Institute degrees. More than two-thirds of the students are from the United States and over fifty percent of these are ex-GIs.

Professor Etienne Gilson has retired from the College de France and resides now in Toronto, at 8 Elmsley Place, with his son and two daughters. Professor Jacques Maritain returns each year for a series of special lectures. Annually visitors come from all parts of the world to visit the Institute whose reputation in the intellectual world is eminent.

In Canada there are forty graduates of the Institute teaching in twelve universities and colleges and in four major seminaries. In the United States there are eighty seven graduates teaching in thirty-nine universities and colleges and seven major seminaries.

The present group of students represent all the regions of Canada from Newfoundland to Vancouver, fifteen of the United States, and several from various parts of Europe.

The Library contains more than 20,000 volumes and over 120,000 microfilms of Medieval manuscripts. It is one of the most valuable libraries in the world in its field.

The influence of the work that has been going on there for the past twenty years is only now beginning to be felt and it will gather in intensity and extent as the graduates multiply. From its humble beginnings its achievement in those few years has been notable and marked. Like all research foundations it suffers the handicap of having few sources of financial gain and considerable operating expenses. Particularly regrettable to the directors of the Institute is the paucity of bursaries; each year gifted students are lost because of the inability to offer them necessary financial assistance.

MULOCK CUP ERROR

In our first edition of THE MIKE we stated that the Mulock Cup returned to the college in 1949 for the first time in 20 years. It has been emphatically brought to our attention that we are in error; the cup was won just ten years earlier in 1939. We gladly correct the error and acknowledge the injustice we did the team of '39; when one has chewed up the amount of back-campus dirt necessary to carry off the trophy one rightfully challenges the oversight that was made.

NEWS

Marty Lamb, '39, has been found; Commander Lamb, USN, is in charge of the Naval Station at Watertown, N.Y.; at Christmas time he found time to commandeer a ship and row down to Syracuse for the Alumni dinner-meeting on January 2nd. Dr. Jim Kehoe, '42, one of the Sherbourne clan, is practicing medicine at the Yater Clinic in Washington, D.C. John J. Moran, '38, is either buying or selling gold bricks and shares in the Brooklyn Bridge through his Real Estate work in New York City. Bob Dougherty, '40, and his wife are the proud parents of a seven pound boy—their first; Bob's wife has had a full recovery from a nearly fatal accident of two years ago. George Koerner, '37, is working in Military Intelligence in Washington to get bread and butter for his wife and seven children. Major Nick Kehoe, '35, is in Hawaii with the USAAF Ferry Command; the family of Harry Woods, '41, is in that vicinity, too, we believe, while Captain Harry flies in the defence of Korea; rumour has it that he expects to return stateside soon. Major Neil Sullivan, '37, in the Air Force Intelligence at the Pentagon. Dr. Joe McHugh, '36, is a dentist in Brighton, N.Y. Bill Ego works with Lord and Taylor in NYC. Tony Adams, '51, has abandoned the fertile fields of suburban Larchmont for service with Uncle Sam; however, he will interrupt things in February long enough to return to St. Catherine's, Ont., for his wedding with Nancy Flynn, '51. Walt Farrell, '51, has joined Forces with classmate Tony. Jim Dewey is another of the newest alumni to enter service; he is with the United States Marine Corps. Ed Curtin of that class is now in the Navy. Lt. Doug Wallace of the Canadian Army, class of '50, arrived in Korea at the end of December. Steve Carr, a Larchmontese of the class of '51, is studying Law at Georgetown. Don Eckl, '41, from Rochester, acquired the title of Doctor of Philosophy in Chemistry at the University of Toronto's Fall Convocation. Father Walter Principle, CSB, '43, and Father Michael Sheehan, CSB, '44, are doing graduate work in Paris. Father Fred Black, CSB, '44, has joined the ranks of the Basilians doing graduate work at England's famous Oxford. Jerry Boulet, '51, is pursuing an MA in Actuarial Mathematics at Ann Arbor. Dan Murphy and John O'Driscoll of the same class are among the new alumni of the college enrolled at Osgoode Hall. John McDonough, '51, erstwhile Oswegonian, is learning the insurance business in Buffalo. Buffalo has sacrificed Citizen Jim Broman, of the same class, to the Marines. John Burrows, '51, is doing a training course in railroading with the CPR out of his native Chapleau, Ont. Bob McLaughlin, President of the recent graduating class, is getting business experience in Syracuse, as well as being very active in Alumni matters in that area. Peter (and Sue) Beach, '51, are in New York where Peter is doing

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graduate work with the Columbia School of Russian Studies. From the October issue of the University of Toronto Bulletin we read the following interesting items: Father L. J. Bondy has been named Chevalier de la Legion d'Honneur by the French Republic. This honour was in recognition of his contributions made to the spread of French culture. Professor Etienne Gilson has been awarded the Serena Medal for Italian Studies by the British Academy. The University of Glasgow has conferred on Professor Gilson the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws. Fathers McCorkell, Shook, and Scollard attended the Canadian Catholic Historical Association's annual meeting in Windsor where Father McCorkell and Father Shook read papers. Professor H. M. McLuhan, of the English staff, read a paper at the English Institute's annual meeting at Columbia. Professor L. E. M. Lynch was Director of the Summer Seminar at St. Alexandre sponsored by International Student Service. Father J. Reginald O'Donnell represented the Pontifical Institute of Medieval Studies at the Anglo-American Conference of Historians held at London, England, this summer. Father Hugh Mallon did research work on Newman at Fordham this summer. Father Richard H. Donovan, CSB., '14, is taking post-graduate work at Yale University. Father A. Denomy, CSB., has returned from six-month period of study in Europe. Professor Etienne Gilson has taken up permanent residence in Toronto at St. Michael's.

Dr. Jack Ronayne, '40, has announced the opening of his offices for general practice on McNichols Road in Detroit. Dr. Jack and brother Jim, '41, will be glad to hear that the present crop of Western frosh includes a record number of six of their fellow citizens from the Motor City. Fergus Walsh, '38, entered public service this year through his election as Trustee for the Separate School Board. Jack Drury, '49, is probing the earth's epidermis among the fissures and fauna around Josephine, Ont. George Johnson, '51, in the US Navy. Betty Regan, '49, is an air line hostess with American Airlines, working out of New York. Bob English, '43, is selling insurance in his father's office in Syracuse. Bill Tone, '29, is handling important assignments for the Crucible Steel Co. of America in the Cleveland office. Joe O'Donoghue, '49, married Jacqueline La Prairie this past summer. Art Tierney, '48, is another Mikeman insuring the lives and property of his fellow-citizens. Ray Kaufman, '35, belongs to the Kodak "chapter" of the alumni and thereby supports a wife and seven children. Bill O'Brien, '34, is Personnel Director of Victor Insulator Co., Victor, N.Y. Bob Rowland, war-time colonel in the Air Force, operates a Service Station and restaurant opposite Sampson Air Base, near Geneva.

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Speakers' Table at Spring Meeting of the Capital District Chapter of Alumni at the Vanburgh Inn, Troy, N.Y.

Left to Right—Bob Lambert, '39; Rev. Edward Gilmour, '41; Ken Spratt, '40; Rev. C. J. Lavery, C.S.B.; Vic DeBonis, '39; Rev. J. B. Dorsey, C.S.B.

Guests at Alumnae Tea



Left to Right—Mrs. Ray Keating (Jean O'Shaughnessy) '49; Ray Keating, '50; Miss Jackie Heffernan, '49; Miss Betty Fitzgerald, '50; Darcy Mulligan, '50.



Left to Right—Miss Mary Agnes Garvey, '51; Hon. Charles McTague; Rev. T. P. McLaughlin, C.S.B.; Mr. Joseph Garvey; Miss Marilyn Kelly, '51.

NEWS (Continued)

Father Bob McKay, '38, after returning from service in the last war, entered the seminary and was ordained to the priesthood last June. Father Joel (Francis) Byrne, O.F.M., '41, was ordained in June in Cleveland and sang his first Solemn High Mass in his native Syracuse; assisting him there on that occasion was Father Cyprian (Don) Lynch, O.F.M., '40. We received a most interesting letter from Father Ed Finley as a result of the first issue of THE MIKE. Father Ed, '40, belongs to the El Paso diocese but is currently the Assistant Post Chaplain at Camp Polk, Louisiana. We gratefully acknowledge his contributions to defray the expenses of our renewed efforts to organize the college alumni. Walt Guerinot tells us that Dean Coffey, '43, is working with a construction supply company in Rochester. Dr. Paul Fox is extracting teeth in that city. Walt, himself, with Jerry Delaire, '32, is part of the Kodak alumni. The contemporaries of Paul Funk will be relieved to hear that we have found him in the canyons of New York hungrily canvassing the environs of the fabulous metropolises for ex-STMikeers; he is, he tells us, ALWAYS "at home" to alumni at 35 76th St., Jackson Heights, or he can be reached at his office with Deering Milliken Co., Inc. We know that there are alumni in the area now and we sincerely hope that they descend on Paul and arrange at least an introductory soiree soon. The first letter we received after our journalistic brain-child was sent afield came from Bill Martin, '25, a lawyer in Niagara Falls, Ont. Bill, too, assisted us with a generous donation which we gratefully acknowledge. He looked into his files and discovered as well that Jack Matthews, '38, and brother Frank, '41, are among his partners. Since that time we have learned that Bill's wife died and we express to him our most sincere sympathy and the assurance of our prayers.

We discovered that the NIAGARA FALLS GAZETTE (New York) is in really good hands; Tom Berrigan, '25, is the Editor, and Mike Ouhlan, '26, is the Sports Editor. Mike's son, Frank, is a sophomore at the college and has established himself as an outstanding sports reporter on THE VARSITY. Jim Ronayne, '40, is a Manufacturer's Agent. Bob Schantz, '41, is practicing law in Rochester. John Agro is applying Canadian jurisprudence with the firm of Stephens and Milne in Hamilton, Ont.; John, along with Jack Ronayne and others, was a member of the "forgotten" Mulock champs of '39. Mary Flynn, '49, is with Time Magazine in Chicago. Norm Fitzpatrick, President of the class of '50, and Peto Mosteller, of the same class, are now Basilians teaching at the new St. Michael's College School. Jack Wilson, '43, recently returned from a two-year study at Cambridge (England) on a Beaver scholarship; he is now teaching at College of New Rochelle.

ST. MICHAEL'S COLLEGE SCHOOL



NEWS FROM KOREA

Father John Ruth, C.S.B., '38, reports from Korea that they have returned to a World War I technique in the war in the East. In a recent letter he writes, "I am comfortably dug in; the tent has been stowed away; it was too hard to heat, and besides it wasn't shrapnel proof. I'm living in a dugout about eight feet down and about fourteen feet in length and about ten wide."

Li Dong Wallace, '50, writes from Pusan, Korea: "After a night on the train, a boat trip, and finally an airplane ride we hit Pusan. Rather I should say that Pusan hit us, with a stench that in some parts of the city is terrific. If people in Toronto complain about street cars they should come over here. There is only one line, the cars are only 2 1/2 as wide as the ones in Toronto but they get twice as many people in them. I have actually seen the conductor get out and try to push more people in".

RECENT MARRIAGES

Larry Boyle, '51, and Mary Agnes Wheeler, '52; Bob Belmont, '52 and Helen Turner, Hugh Donnelly, '46 and Mary O'Brien, '49; Ray Haunigan and Peggy McLelland, '49; John Fitzgerald, '50 and Muriel Smith, '50; Joe Rengergast, '50 and Louise Reath; Joan Kehoe, '50 and Donald Waters; Joe Caccia, '49 and Laurence Bureau, '49; Bob Reid, '50 and Betty Markle, '50; Doug Charron, '50 and Victoria Boekler, '49; Anne Malcolm, '49 and Joe O'Brien; Lt. Charlie Schnorr, '50 and Jean Rhineheart; Ray Keating, '50 and Jean O'Shaughnessy, '49; Joe Burns, '50 and Lillian Ladine; Vince Reid, '50 and Joan Maloney; Bernard Smith, '48 and Florence LaBranche.

At the cost of over a million and a half dollars the long awaited high school became a reality in September, 1950. It is now in its second year at the new location, corner of St. Clair Avenue and Bathurst St., and has an enrollment of 1033 students, 106 of whom are resident students.

NEWS (Continued)

Ray Marling, '37, is teaching high school in Brighton, N.Y. George Verstraten is a chemist with Kodak. Mike Piehler is now operating his own Pontiac Automobile Agency in Geneva. Bernard Smith, '48, was among the alumni married during the summer; he is now practicing law in Mimico, Ont. Allen Conway, '38 returned to Toronto this summer from St. John, Newfoundland, with his wife and three sons for his brother Bill's ordination. Fabian O'Lea, '38, is a neighbor of Allan's in the East, and Fabian was married this summer. Hugh MacLean and Gerry Marsden are law partners in Toronto. Alice Brennan, '47, was married this summer in Niagara Falls. George Ulrich and Tony Saeli, both of '41, spent a few days with us at the college this summer. Tony was here for a short special study session; George simply wanted to see if the beds were as incredibly hard as they seemed to be when he had to sleep in them. Greg McIntyre, SAC President in '48, is now with C.I.L. in Montreal. Jim Waugh, '48, is with Ford Motor Co. of Canada. Father Jack Carey, '35, dropped in for a short visit in August en route to Syracuse from a fishing vacation in Northern Ontario; Father Jack has been painfully invalidated with a spinal condition since the following week; he did not stay overnight so the beds at the college are not to blame.

